

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application as presently amended and in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-3, 5-11, and 13-15 are presently active in this case, Claims 2, 3, 5-11, 13, and 14 having been amended, and Claims 4 and 12 having been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer by way of the present Amendment.

Care has been taken such that no new matter has been entered by the amendments set forth herein. The original claims provide support for the amendments. Additionally, with respect to the amendment to Claim 3, the specification also provides support at page 20, lines 3-4.

In the outstanding Official Action, Claims 2, 3, 5-11, and 13-15 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. The term "type" has been removed from the claims. Additionally, Claim 14 has been amended to remove the phrase "flame resistant," thereby correcting the antecedent basis problem. Accordingly, the Applicants request the withdrawal of the indefiniteness rejections.

The rejections of Claims 4, 5/4, 6/4, and 12 have been rendered moot by the cancellation thereof without prejudice or disclaimer.

Claim 1 and the depending versions of Claims 5-11 have been allowed.

Claims 2 and 3 and their depending versions of Claims 5-11 have been indicated as being allowable if amended to overcome the indefiniteness rejections. As discussed above,

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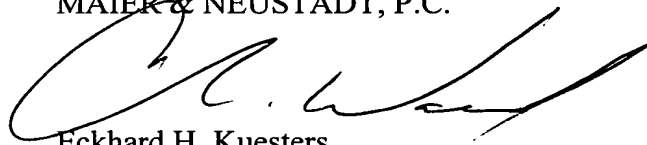
the Applicants submit that the indefiniteness rejections have been overcome, and therefore these claims are believed to be in condition for allowance.

Claims 13-15 have been indicted as being allowable if amended to overcome the indefiniteness rejections. As discussed above, the Applicants submit that the indefiniteness rejections have been overcome, and therefore these claims are believed to be in condition for allowance.

Consequently, in view of the above discussion, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for formal allowance and an early and favorable reconsideration of this application is therefore requested.

Respectfully Submitted,

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